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CHAPTER 26

# HOUSE BILL 2104

AN ACT

PRESCRIBING A PROCEDURE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NAVAJO CODE TALKERS  
MONUMENT.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Navajo code talkers' monument; procedures

A. A monument to the Arizona contingent of Navajo code talkers shall be placed in Wesley Bolin plaza pursuant to the following procedure:

1. The proponents shall submit a concept to the department of administration for the design, dimensions and location of the monument.

2. The department of administration shall review the concept and determine the most appropriate location that highlights the monument and preserves the integrity of the Wesley Bolin memorial plaza.

3. The department of administration shall submit its review and recommendations to the governmental mall commission regarding its ability to maintain the monument or memorial.

4. After recommendations from the historical advisory commission regarding the historical integrity negotiations with the proponents, the governmental mall commission, in consultation with the department of administration, shall approve the final design, dimensions, location and maintenance requirements of the monument or memorial.

5. Before the beginning of construction of the monument or memorial, the proponents shall enter into a contract with the department of administration specifying the conditions of the design, dimensions and location of the monument or memorial, a list of the artists, contractors and subcontractors that will be employed, a verification that all employees for the project are insured and that this state is indemnified against any liability in regard to the construction.

6. An approved monument or memorial shall be completed and dedicated to this state at the earliest possible date.

B. All fundraising, and contracts for artistic design and construction of the monument are the sole responsibility of the proponents. The state shall not facilitate or establish a state fund for the deposit of the monies.

Sec. 2. Legislative intent

It is the intent of the legislature, on behalf of the people of this state, to recognize the Navajo code talkers who distinguished themselves in performing a unique, and highly successful communications operation that greatly assisted in saving countless lives and hastened the end of World War II in the Pacific. It is appropriate to provide a fitting tribute to recognize the outstanding contributions of the Navajo code talkers to the success of the United States military during World War II and to honor these remarkable individuals for their exceptional bravery and patriotism.

Sec. 3. Repeal

This act is repealed from and after December 31, 2005.

Sec. 4. Emergency

This act is an emergency measure that is necessary to preserve the public peace, health or safety and is operative immediately as provided by law.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 7, 2003.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 7, 2003.

Passed the House February 24, 2003

by the following vote: 58 Ayes,

0 Nays, 2 Not Voting

with emergency

Jake Elabe

Speaker of the House

Spencer L. Moore

Chief Clerk of the House

Passed the Senate April 1, 2003

by the following vote: 29 Ayes,

0 Nays, 1 Not Voting

with emergency

Ken Blumenthal

President of the Senate

Charmine Benton

Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR

This Bill was received by the Governor this

2 day of April, 2003

at 12:40 o'clock P. M.

Dan Claitor

Secretary to the Governor

Approved this 7 day of

April, 2003,

at 2:05 o'clock P. M.

Jan Brewer

Governor of Arizona

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA  
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State

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at 4:27 o'clock P. M.

Janice K. Brewer

Secretary of State

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